

House Bill 445

By: Representatives Glanton of the 76th, Baker of the 78th, Johnson of the 75th, Heckstall of the 62nd, and Jordan of the 77th

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
AN ACT

1 To provide for a period of transition in the office of sheriff of Clayton County at the end of
2 the term of an outgoing sheriff; to provide for access to the assets and personnel by the newly
3 elected sheriff; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other
4 purposes.

5 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF GEORGIA:

6 **SECTION 1.**

7 There shall be a period of transition of office whenever a new sheriff of Clayton County has
8 been elected. During such period, which shall last from the time the general election results
9 are certified to December 31 of that year, the outgoing sheriff shall cooperate with the
10 sheriff-elect in assessing the state of the office. At a minimum, the sheriff-elect shall be
11 permitted to inventory the assets of the office, be given access to all personnel under the
12 office, and be permitted to review the books and records of the office. Nothing in this Act
13 shall be construed to affect or diminish the authority of the sheriff or to require any activity
14 which would adversely affect the efficient operation of the office.

15 **SECTION 2.**

16 All laws and parts of laws in conflict with this Act are repealed.